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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: GDR HUMANITARIAN CASE: RUTH ENGEL/ERWIN KNOP

1. THIS CASE WAS ONE OF THOSE ON ORIGINAL LIST OF GDR HUMANITARIAN CASES HANDED OVER TO GDR DELEGATION IN SUMMER, 1975.

2. ON MAY 27, RUTH ENGEL, EILENBURGER STRASSE 6, DRESDEN, CALLED TO SAY LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN DRESDEN HAD INFORMED HER THAT HER APPLICATION TO MARRY ERWIN KNOP, 1101 N. MOUND STREET, BIG BEAR CITY, CALIFORNIA 92314 - TELEPHONE (714) 585 5554, WOULD BE APPROVED AS SOON AS EMBASSY ISSUED DOCUMENT THAT KNOP WAS AMERICAN CITIZEN AND THAT THERE WAS NO LEGAL OBSTACLE TO MARRY RUTH ENGEL AS CITIZEN OF THE GDR. EMBASSY PROPOSES TO ISSUE SUCH A DOCUMENT ON BASIS OF A NOTARIZED STATEMENT WHICH KNOP WILL BE ASKED TO MAKE BEFORE A LOCAL NOTARY PUBLIC NEAR HIS HOME.

3. IT APPEARS THAT MARRIAGE WILL HAVE TO TAKE PLACE IN GDR ACCORDING TO SCERNRIO INDICATED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES TO ENGEL. IT IS NOT CLEAR EXACTLY WHEN APPROVAL WILL BE GIVEN.

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EMBASSY PROPOSES TO ISSUE DOCUMENT TAKING INTO ACCOUNT

APPARENT EXISTENCE OF APPROVED FIANCEE PETITION AS WELL AS
OTHER DOCUMENTS WHICH APPARENTLY ARE HELD IN ONE OF ADDRESSEE
POSTS. (HER AR NUMBER APPARENTLY IS A 19924248.) INFO
ADDRESSEES REQUESTED TO SEARCH FILES AND ADVISE IF
THEY HOLD SUCH AN APPROVED PETITION.

4. EMBASSY HOLDS FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS IN THIS CASE: (A)
GERMAN TRANSLATION OF KNOP'S DOVORCE DECREE FROM FIRST WIFE.
(B) BIRTH CERTIFICATE OF SUBJECT (C) MARRIAGE DECREE OF
SUBJECT WITH DIVORCE INDICATED THEREON. THESE DOCUMENTS MAY
HAVE TO BE HANDED TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN WHICH CASE REPRO-
DUCTIONS WILL BE MADE BY EMBASSY.

5. CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: SENATOR TUNNEY.COOPER

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